

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

M. KLASSEN et al.

Examiner: S.C. Wu

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Title: LIQUID-CRYSTALLINE MEDIUM

REPLY

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Washington, D.C. 20231

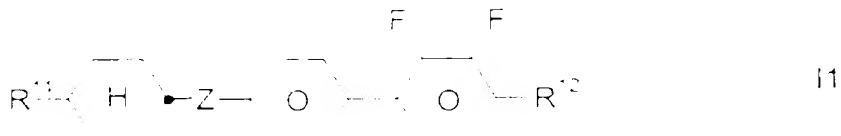
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 14, 2002, please amend the above-identified application and consider the remarks which follow:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A liquid-crystalline medium based on a mixture of polar compounds having negative dielectric anisotropy, comprising at least one compound of formula I1



and at least one compound of formula I2